

American Forces Network on TV <http://www.afrts.osd.mil/afnontv/html/schedule.htm>

Wednesday

TIME	CH 8 & 37 AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH 38 AFNPACIFIC	CH 39 SPECTRUM	CH 40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	Nightline
9:30	[.55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report
10:00	[.20] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
10:30		8:30	[.33] CNN/5I	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Indiana at Michigan State
11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	Moesha (TV-PG)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30	The Parkers (TV-PG)		
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Beverly Hills 90210	Secrets of War (TV-PG)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	The Easter Bunny	Cold War: Inside the C.I.A.	Georgetown at St. Johns
13:00	Today	11:00	Buffy The Vampire Slayer	Combat At Sea	
13:30		11:30	Who Are You? (Part 2) (TV-14)	Marines	Arkansas at South Carolina
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	CNN Early Edition
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Grime Scene	
15:00	Disney's Jungle Cubs	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	BrandSpanking New Doug	13:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	Cape Fear (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Outward Bound (TV-Y7)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	City Guys (TV-G)	14:30	[.33] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[.05] Movies 'Til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNN/5I & Lajes News	16:00	The Last Waltz (TV-PG)	Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	Moesha (TV-PG)	17:00	[.15] Movies 'Til Dawn	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Villanova at West Virginia
19:30	The Parkers (TV-PG)	17:30	Malone (TV-PG)		
20:00	Beverly Hills 90210	18:00		Secrets of War (TV-PG)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN2)
20:30	The Easter Bunny	18:30		Cold War: Inside the C.I.A.	
21:00	Buffy The Vampire Slayer	19:00	Headline News	Combat At Sea	Rhode Island at UMass
21:30	Who Are You? (Part 2) (TV-14)	19:30	ESPNNews	Marines	
22:00	Headline & Lajes News	20:00	Today	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	Your World with Neil Cavuto
22:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		Grime Scene	
23:00	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:00		Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live
0:00	[.35] ESPNNews	22:00	Today II	Cape Fear (TV-PG)	
1:00	CNN/5I	23:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)		Headline News
1:30		23:30		The Flintstones (TV-G)	NBC Nightly News
2:00	AFN Special (TV-G)	0:00	Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	ABC World News Tonight
2:30	43rd Annual Grammy Awards	0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	Happy Days (TV-G)	CBS Evening News
3:00		1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	NBA Basketball (TNT-Live)
3:30		1:30		Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Lakers at Spurs
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	America's Castles	
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	The Grand Adirondack Camps	Inside the NBA (TNT-Live)
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Spectrum Special (TV-PG)	Sports Tonight
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30	[.25] Guiding Light (TV-14)	Homecoming...	
6:00	CNN/5I	4:00	[.15] General Hospital	X-Files (TV-14)	Larry King Live
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30		Getsemane (Part 1)	
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[.05] Rugrats (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30		5:30	Arthur (TV-Y)	The Candidate (TV-PG)	
8:00	Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	6:00	Pokemon (TV-Y)		The O'Reilly Factor
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	Men In Black (TV-Y7)		

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9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	Nightline
9:30	[.55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report
10:00	[.20] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NBA Basketball (TNT)
10:30		8:30	[.33] CNN/5I	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Jazz at Trail Blazers
11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	Survivor	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30			
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Star Trek: Voyager (TV-PG)	Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	The Voyager Conspiracy	Where Devils Run Wild	Inside the NBA (TNT)
13:00	Today	11:00	Law & Order (TV-14)	Emergency Vets (TV-PG)	Nat'l Sports Report (FSN)
13:30		11:30	Divorce	Toyota World Of Wildlife (TV-G)	
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	Gun	48 Hours
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	The Shot	
15:00	Sylvester&Tweety Mysteries	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	Disney's Recess	13:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	Casablanca (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Moesha (TV-PG)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	Clueless	14:30	[.33] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[.05] Movies 'Til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNN/5I & Lajes News	16:00	Lawrence Of Arabia	Happy Days (TV-G)	NHL Hockey (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	Survivor	17:00		Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Kings at Flames
19:30		17:30			
20:00	Star Trek: Voyager (TV-PG)	18:00		Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	
20:30	The Voyager Conspiracy	18:30		Where Devils Run Wild	
21:00	Law & Order (TV-14)	19:00	Today	Emergency Vets (TV-PG)	SportsCenter
21:30	Divorce	19:30		Toyota World Of Wildlife (TV-G)	
22:00	Headline & Lajes News	20:00		Gun	PrimeTime Thursday (ABC)
22:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		The Shot	
23:00		21:00	Callou (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live
23:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:30	Between The Lions (TV-Y)	Casablanca (TV-PG)	
0:00	[.35] ESPNNews	22:00	Sabrina: The Animated Series		Headline News
1:00	[.05] Movies 'Til Dawn	22:30	SpongeBob SquarePants		NBC Nightly News
1:30		23:00	Pokemon (TV-Y)	The View	ABC World News Tonight
2:00	Lawrence Of Arabia (TV-PG)	23:30	Making The Band (TV-PG)		CBS Evening News
2:30		0:00	Behind the Music: Elton John	Season By Season (TV-G)	NHL Hockey (ESPN-Live)
3:00		0:30	This Old House	Interior Motives	
3:30		1:00	California's Gold	Frasier (TV-PG)	Blues at Red Wings
4:00		1:30	NBC Nightly News	Friends (TV-PG)	
4:30		2:00	Navy/Marine Corps News	Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	
5:00	Headline News	2:30	NBA (FSN)	Ch...Ch...Changes	
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:00		Ally McBeal (TV-14)	Sports Tonight
6:00	CNN/5I	3:30	76ers at Pistons	The Oddball Parade	
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:00		Any Day Now (TV-14)	Larry King Live
7:00	Callou (TV-Y)	4:30		Please Don't Tell My Mother	
7:30	Between The Lions (TV-Y)	5:00		Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
8:00	Sabrina: The Animated Series	5:30	Up Close with Gary Miller		
8:30	SpongeBob SquarePants	6:00	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	Grease (TV-PG)	The O'Reilly Factor

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9:30	[.55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report
10:00	[.20] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
10:30		8:30	[.33] CNN/5I	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Georgia Tech at Duke
11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	AFN Special (TV-G)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30			
12:00	Headline News	10:00	43rd Annual Grammy Awards	America's Castles	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30		The Grand Adirondack Camps	Georgetown at St. Johns
13:00	Today	11:00		Spectrum Special (TV-PG)	
13:30		11:30		Homecoming...Sometimes I Am	
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	X-Files (TV-14)	CNN Early Edition
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Getsemane (Part 1)	
15:00	Rugrats (TV-Y)	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	Arthur (TV-Y)	13:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	The Candidate (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Pokemon (TV-Y7)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	Men In Black (TV-Y7)	14:30	[.33] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[.05] Movies 'Til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30	Memphis (TV-PG)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNN/5I & Lajes News	16:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	NHL Hockey (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30	[.45] Movies 'Til Dawn	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	AFN Special (TV-G)	17:00	Midnight Run (TV-PG)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
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20:00	43rd Annual Grammy Awards	18:00		America's Castles	
20:30		18:30		The Grand Adirondack Camps	
21:00		19:00	Headline News	Spectrum Special (TV-PG)	SportsCenter
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0:00	NHL (ESPN2-Live)	22:00			Headline News
0:30		22:30	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	NBC Nightly News
1:00	Flyers at Islanders	23:00		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball
1:30		23:30		Happy Days (TV-G)	Illinois at Ohio State
2:00		0:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
3:00		1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	NCAA Basketball
3:30		1:30	Mom Makeovers with Tyra		Depaul at Marquette
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	Where Devils Run Wild	
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Emergency Vets (TV-PG)	Sports Tonight
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6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30		The Shot	
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[.05] Sylvester&Tweety	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	5:30	Disney's Recess	Casablanca (TV-PG)	
8:00	Wheel Of Fortune	6:00	Moesha (TV-PG)		The O'Reilly Factor
8:30		6:30	Clueless		



All movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Call Ext. 23302 for more information. (V, violence; S, sex or sensuality; D, drug use; L, language; G, gore)

Saturday Proof of Life

Russell Crow, Meg Ryan; when her husband is kidnapped, Alicia retains a freelance negotiator to rescue him. R (V, L, D).

Sunday 102 Dalmations G.

Monday Family Man

Nicolas Cage, Tea Leoni; through a variety of circumstances, Jack wakes up next to his girlfriend whom he hasn't seen in 13 years. PG-13 (S, L).

Tuesday The Sixth Day

Arnold Schwarzenegger, Tony Goldwyn; imagine a world free of incurable diseases ... with no hunger, where the family pet can be cloned. PG-13 (S, L).

Wednesday Dungeons and Dragons

The Empire has long been a di-

vided land. The outcome of the race is uncertain and the Empire's survival hangs in the balance. PG-13 (V).

Feb. 22 Unbreakable

Bruce Willis, Samuel L. Jackson; The sole survivor of a devastating train wreck meets a mysterious stranger who offers a bizarre explanation as to why he escaped without a scratch. PG-13 (V,S).

Feb. 23 Almost Famous

Billy Crudup, Frances McDonald He's only 15 years old and backstage at a rock concert. The experience will shape his life for years to come. R (L, D, S).

Miss Congeniality, 10 p.m.

Sandra Bullock, Michael Caine; An FBI agent poses as Miss New Jersey in the "Miss Liberty" pageant while trying to prevent a terrorist group from bombing the event. PG-13 (S, L).



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photo by Tech. Sgt. Scott Johnson

The hole truth

Senior Airman Travis Young, 738th Engineering Installation Squadron, combat engineer, replaces plastic casing on more than 20,000 cable pair miles of copper phone cables at Lajes. A 6-man team from Keesler is replacing the old leaky casings with new airtight stainless steel casings, ensuring more reliable day-to-day connectivity. The \$171,000 project, funded by Air Combat Command, started in October and should be completed sometime in April.

Strong Patriot braves rough waters to Lajes

Tech. Sgt. Jose Ruiz Public affairs

When the U.S. Strong Patriot left Newport, Va., Jan. 29 en route to Terceira, the captain knew it might not be smooth sailing.

Less than 24 hours later, the merchant ship, loaded with 400 tons of cargo bound for Lajes Field, and its crew got a sample of the wrath the North Atlantic can muster as it braved winds of up to 45 knots and waves as large as 25 feet.

According to ship Captain Mike Beaumont, traversing the Atlantic under such

conditions is common in his line of work.

"Sometimes you can't go from A to B without going through the weather," he said. "So you just try to minimize its effect."

According to Captain Beaumont, all the cargo is secured and inspected before the ship departs. But as the first daylight hours Jan. 30 revealed, rough seas can even threaten secure cargo.

One of 60 20-foot containers aboard ship was damaged by the force of an in-

See Patriot on Page 5

News briefs

Safety office moves

The safety office is now located in Bldg. 426, Rooms 201-204.

Wing gets four-day weekend

The wing goal day is Friday, followed by Presidents' Day, Monday.

Entrances to Bldg. T-100

Starting Monday, the back door of Bldg. T-100 will be closed through June while the facility is being renovated.

HMO, TMO close for training

Effective immediately, the housing office and traffic management office will be closed every Wednesday at 3 p.m. for in-house training.

Credit union closures

Pentagon Federal Credit Union will close at 1 p.m. Friday and Feb. 23 for official functions. It will be closed Monday for Presidents' Day.

Closures

The commissary will be closed Feb. 27 for a Portuguese holiday. In addition, all Army and Air Force Exchange Service facilities, except the Main Street Shoppette, will be closed. The shoppette will be open noon- 8 p.m.

BX closed Sunday

Because of a scheduled power outage Sunday, the Ocean Front Base Exchange will be closed. The Oceanview Grill will open at 4:30 p.m.

Annual awards banquet set

The Lajes Field Annual Awards Banquet is Feb. 22, in the Top of the Rock Club. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m., dinner starts at 7. Cost for members E-1 to E-4 is \$12; E-5 to E-9 and GS-7 and below, \$15; and officers and GS-9 and above, \$20. See first sergeants by close of business today to sign up.



# Everyone subject to monitoring

**1st Lt. Chris Willis**  
**Master Sgt. Richard Redman**  
**65th Communications Squadron**

It pops up every time a computer comes on and someone logs on to the network. Unfortunately, it may have become so routine some people don't even notice it any more.

When using the Internet and e-mail, Department of Defense employees need to remember any type of use, authorized or unauthorized, incidental or personal, serves as consent to monitoring.

People with questions about using the Internet and e-mail here at Lajes can refer to guidelines in several sources -- Air Force Instruction 33-119, *Electronic Mail Management and Use*; and AFI 33-129, *Transmission of Information via the Internet*.

Authorized use is legal, ethical and in the best interest of the Air Force. Any other use is prohibited. Military members who fail to observe this prohibition may be subject to adverse administrative or disciplinary action. Civilian employees who violate this prohibition may face administrative disciplinary action.

All government communication devices must be used for official or authorized purposes only.

However, here at Lajes, leaders have made a few exceptions. Lajes Field Policy Letter 011-00 addresses the commander's policy on using the Internet and e-mail.

Lajes users can view the policy letter at <https://wwwmil.lajes.af.mil/sg/comm/wipo/>.

DOD employees can use their government computer for the Internet and e-mail for personal reasons Monday-Friday, before 8 a.m. and after 5 p.m. They can also get online and check personal e-mails any time of day on weekends, holidays and wing down days.

Using the government computers and resources to get on the Internet and to send

e-mail is a privilege and people will be held accountable for unauthorized activity.

Remember, everyone is subject to being monitored.

## Prohibited Internet uses

— Activities for personal or commercial financial gain, like trading stocks or mutual funds, commercial solicitation or personal property sales;

— Participating in chat lines or open forum discussions unless for official purposes and after public affairs approval;

— Unauthorized use of another person's account or identity;

— Viewing, changing, damaging, deleting or blocking access to another user's files or communications without authorization;

— Trying to defeat or circumvent security or auditing systems without authorization;

— Obtaining, installing, copying, storing or using software in violation of the license agreement;

— Giving unauthorized people access to a government-owned or operated system; and

— Storing, processing, displaying or transmitting offensive or obscene language or material.

## Prohibited E-mail uses

— Distributing copyrighted materials without consent;

— Activities for personal or commercial financial gain;

— Intentionally or unlawfully misrepresenting your identity or affiliation in e-mail communications;

— Sending harassing, intimidating, abusive or offensive material to, or about others;

— Using someone else's identity and password;

— Sending "chain letters" and similar correspondence; and

— Permitting unauthorized individual access to your e-mail account.

## Action Line

Ext. 24240  
[actionline@lajes.af.mil](mailto:actionline@lajes.af.mil)

**The Action Line is your tool to help the Team Lajes community. It's a direct line to U.S. Forces Azores and 65th Air Base Wing Commander Col. Bill Percival.**

**However, before you call, try to resolve your concern through the appropriate agency. Some numbers are listed here. You may remain anonymous when you call the Action Line, but for a direct answer, leave your name and phone number.**

<b>AAFES</b>	<b>23209</b>
<b>AFN</b>	<b>23497</b>
<b>Red Cross</b>	<b>23516</b>
<b>CDC</b>	<b>23188</b>
<b>CES</b>	<b>26113</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>24211</b>
<b>Commissary</b>	<b>26124</b>
<b>Dental clinic</b>	<b>23139</b>
<b>FSC</b>	<b>23122</b>
<b>Housing</b>	<b>26251</b>
<b>Inbound (TMO)</b>	<b>25168</b>
<b>Lodging</b>	<b>25178</b>
<b>MDG</b>	<b>23615</b>
<b>MPF</b>	<b>23612</b>
<b>Outbound (TMO)</b>	<b>24213</b>
<b>Passenger Terminal</b>	<b>23227</b>
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<b>Public Affairs</b>	<b>23347</b>
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<b>Military Pay</b>	<b>25158</b>
<b>Security Forces</b>	<b>23222</b>
<b>Service Station</b>	<b>25125</b>
<b>Safety Office</b>	<b>23304</b>
<b>Tickets and Tours</b>	<b>24135</b>
<b>Travel Pay</b>	<b>22407</b>
<b>Youth Center</b>	<b>23273</b>



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## tv guide and movies

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9:00	Pokemon (TV-Y)	7:00	Entertainers	The View	Nightline
9:30	Making The Band (TV-PG)	7:30			Nightly Business Report
10:00	Behind the Music	8:00	Headline News	Season By Season (TV-G)	ESPN2 Boxing
10:30	Celine Dion	8:30	ESPNNews	Interior Motives	
11:00	This Old House	9:00	Stargate SG-1 (TV-PG)	Frasier (TV-PG)	
11:30	California's Gold	9:30	The Devil You Know (Part 2)	Friends (TV-PG)	
12:00	Entertainers	10:00	Judging Amy (TV-PG)	Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	
12:30	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	10:30	Zero Tolerance	Reunited	NHL 2Night (ESPN2)
13:00		11:00	20/20	Ally McBeal (TV-14)	SportsCenter (ESPN)
13:30	Stargate SG-1 (TV-PG)	11:30	Headline News	Pursuit Of Loneliness	
14:30	The Devil You Know (Part 2)	12:00	Saturday Night Live (TV-14)	Any Day Now (TV-14)	Dateline NBC
15:00	Judging Amy (TV-PG)	12:30	Jennifer Lopez (TV-PG)	No Comment	
15:30	Zero Tolerance	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
16:00	20/20	14:00	It's Showtime At The Apollo (TV-PG)	Working Girl (TV-PG)	Wall Street Journal Report
16:30	Headline News	15:00	Late Friday (TV-PG)	The View	MLaughlin Group
17:30	Navy/Marine Corps News	15:30			Washington Week In Review
18:00	SportsCenter (ESPN)	16:00	NASCAR NAPA (Fox-Live) 300	Season By Season (TV-G)	Travel Now
18:30		16:30	NASCAR Busch Series (FOX-Live)	Interior Motives	Page One w/Nick Charles
19:00	NCAA Basketball	17:00	NAPA Auto Parts 300	Frasier (TV-PG)	EA Sports Supercross (ESPN2)
19:30	Kansas at Iowa State (Big 12)	17:30		Friends (TV-PG)	125cc
20:00		18:00		Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	NCAA Basketball
20:30		18:30		Reunited	Army at Navy
21:00	(JIP) NCAA Basketball	19:00		Ally McBeal (TV-14)	PGA Golf (ABC-Live)
21:30	Arizona at USC (Pac 10)	19:30	Hour Of Power	Pursuit Of Loneliness	
22:00	NCAA Basketball	20:00	Celebration Of Victory	Any Day Now (TV-14)	Bob Hope Chrysler Classic
22:30	Ohio State at Alabama (SEC)	20:30	Breakthrough	No Comment	
23:00		21:00	The Choices We Face	Spectrum Movie	Headline News
23:30	SportsCenter (ESPN-Live)	21:30	Day Of Discovery	Working Girl (TV-PG)	Navy/Marine Corps News
0:30		22:30	NCAA Basketball (ESPN2)	Nana Puddin'	NCAA Basketball
1:00	Saturday Night Live (TV-14)	23:00	Mayland at Wake Forest	Grasping For The Wind	Providence at Boston College
1:30	Jennifer Lopez	23:30		The 700 Club	
2:00		0:00	Headline News	Profiles In Praise	
2:30	It's Showtime At The Apollo (TV-PG)	0:30	Army Newswatch	The Andy Griffith Show	NCAA Basketball
3:00		1:00	CNN/ISI	I Love Lucy (TV-G)	
3:30	Late Friday (TV-PG)	1:30		Bewitched (TV-G)	Miami at Villanova
4:00		2:00	Bear In The Big Blue House	MA'S'H (TV-PG)	
4:30	Entertainers	2:30	Happy Ever After (TV-Y)	Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	Sports Tonight
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Family Movie	Angels in the Wings	
5:30	Hour Of Power	3:30		Fantasy Island (TV-G)	Larry King Weekend (CNN)
6:00	Celebration Of Victory	4:00	Muppets From Space	Nona and One Million B.C.	
6:30	Breakthrough	4:30		Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	Dateline International 1
7:00	The Choices We Face	5:00	Wild Things (TV-PG)	Alfred Hitchcock Presents	
7:30	Day Of Discovery	5:30	V.I.P. (TV-PG)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Judith Regan Tonight (FNC)
8:00	Bear In The Big Blue House	6:00			
8:30	Happy Ever After (TV-Y)	6:30	Mao Better Blues		

### Monday

TIME	CH38 AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH38 AFNPACIFIC	CH39 SPECTRUM	CH40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	World Report
9:30	[55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	PGA Golf (ABC)
10:00	[20] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Headline News	Happy Days (TV-G)	Bob Hope Chrysler Classic (Final Round)
10:30		8:30	CNN/ISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
11:00	[1:10] General Hospital	9:00	60 Minutes	Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 2)	
11:30		9:30			
12:00	Headline News	10:00	AFN Special Holiday Movie	Scientific American Frontiers	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	The Crossing (TV-PG)	Flying High	
13:00	Today	11:00		New Detectives	Sportscenter
13:30		11:30		Tools Of Death	
14:00		12:00	Headline News	ER (TV-14)	Dateline NBC- Sun
14:30		12:30	[35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Ground Zero	
15:00	Disney's Hercules	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	Disney's Pepper Ann (TV-G)	13:30	[35] Late Show with David Letterman	Double Indemnity (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1 Good Morning America
16:00	Popular Mechanics For Kids	14:00			
16:30	Cousin Skeeter	14:30	[35] ESPNNews	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Navy/Marine Corps News
17:30	Headline News	15:30	Desert Bloom (TV-PG)	Happy Days (TV-G)	Army Newswatch
18:00	CNN/ISI & Lajes News	16:00		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	NHRA Drags (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 2)	NHRA Drag Finals
19:00	60 Minutes	17:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	Scientific American Frontiers	
19:30		17:30	Pump up The Volume (TV-14)	Flying High	
20:00	AFN Special	18:00		New Detectives	NHL Hockey (ESPN2-Live)
20:30	The Crossing (TV-PG)	18:30	Headline News	Tools Of Death	
21:00		19:00	ESPNNews	ER (TV-14)	Avalanche at Penguins
21:30	Headline & Lajes News	20:00	Today	Ground Zero	
22:00	[35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		Spectrum Movie	
23:00		21:00		Double Indemnity (TV-PG)	Headline News
23:30	[35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:30	Today II		NBC Nightly News
0:00		22:00			ABC World News Tonight
0:30	[35] ESPNNews	22:30	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	CBS Evening News
1:00	NCAA Basketball	23:00		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Figure Skating (ABC)
1:30	UConn at Syracuse (Big East)	23:30		Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	
2:00		0:00		Wheel Of Fortune	ISU Grand Prix Finals
2:30		0:30	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	Star Trek (TV-PG)	
3:00	NCAA Basketball	1:00		The Apple	
3:30	Oklahoma at Missouri (Big 12)	1:30		Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)	Winter X-Games (ESPN2)
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Marlee Matlin	Day 5 Highlights
4:30	Headline News	2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	Biography (TV-PG)	Sports Tonight
5:00	ABC World News Tonight	3:00	[25] Guiding Light (TV-14)	Mackenzie Phillips	
5:30	CNN/ISI	4:00	[15] General Hospital	The Practice (TV-14)	Larry King Live
6:00	NBC Nightly News	4:30		The Pursuit Of Dignity	
6:30	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[05] Hey! Arnold (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	CNN Tonight
7:00		5:30	Digimon: Digital Monsters	Dial 'M' For Murder (TV-PG)	CNN Spin Room
7:30	Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	6:00			The O'Reilly Factor
8:00		6:30	Scholastic Sports America		
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune				

### Sunday

TIME	CH38 AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH38 AFNPACIFIC	CH39 SPECTRUM	CH40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Family Movie	7:00	Computer Chronicles	Nana Puddin'	Navy/Marine Corps News
9:30	Muppets From Space (TV-G)	7:30	Wall Street Journal Report	Grasping For The Wind	Army Newswatch
10:00		8:00	Headline News	The 700 Club	NCAA Basketball (FSN)
10:30		8:30	ESPNNews	Profiles In Praise	
11:00	Wild Things (TV-PG)	9:00	Whose Line Is It Anyway?	The Andy Griffith Show	Oregon at Washington (PAC 10)
11:30		9:30	Primetime Movie	I Love Lucy (TV-G)	
12:00	Headline News	10:00		Bewitched (TV-G)	NHRA Racing (ESPN2)
12:30	Army Newswatch	10:30	Silverado	MA'S'H (TV-PG)	NHRA Qualifying
13:00	XFL (NBC)	11:00	(TV-14)	Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	ESPNNews
13:30		11:30		Angels in the Wings	AF Winter Sports
14:00	(Teams TBD)	12:00	Headline News	Fantasy Island (TV-G)	Dateline International 2
14:30		12:30	The Drew Carey Show	Nona and One Million B.C.	
15:00		13:00	Meet The Press	Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	CBS News Sunday Morning
15:30		13:30		Alfred Hitchcock Presents	
16:00	V.I.P. (TV-PG)	14:00	America's Black Forum	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
16:30	Mao Better Blues	14:30	Walker, Texas Ranger		Face the Nation
17:00	Computer Chronicles	15:00	livegrits.com	Nana Puddin'	Evans, Nvsk, Hunt & Shields
17:30	Wall Street Journal Report	15:30	ESPNNews	Grasping For The Wind	Headline News
18:00	NASCAR Winston Cup Series	16:00	NASCAR Winston Cup Series	The 700 Club	NBA ON NBC (Live)
18:30		16:30		Profiles In Praise	NBA Basketball (NBC-Live)
19:00	43rd Daytona 500	17:00		The Andy Griffith Show	Suns at 76ers
19:30		17:30		I Love Lucy (TV-G)	
20:00		18:00		Bewitched (TV-G)	
20:30		18:30		MA'S'H (TV-PG)	
21:00		19:00		Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	NBA Basketball (NBC-Live)
21:30		19:30		Angels in the Wings	Jazz at Kings
22:00		20:00		Fantasy Island (TV-G)	
22:30		20:30		Nona and One Million B.C.	
23:00	NCAA Basketball (CBS)	21:00	(JIP) XFL (TNN-Live)	Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	NBA Basketball (NBC-Live)
23:30	Florida at Tennessee (SEC)	21:30	Chicago Enforcers at	Alfred Hitchcock Presents	Lakers at Pacers
0:00		22:00		Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
0:30		22:30			
1:00	Headline News	23:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
1:30	Sinfeld (TV-14)	23:30		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
2:00	The Drew Carey Show	0:00	Dora, The Explorer (TV-Y)	Happy Days (TV-G)	Headline News
2:30	Walker, Texas Ranger	0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Army Newswatch
3:00	livegrits.com	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 2)	NCAA Basketball (CBS)
3:30	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	1:30	Letters to Oprah	Scientific American Frontiers	Iowa at Michigan State (Big 10)
4:00		2:00	Headline News	Rising High	
4:30	America's Black Forum	2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	New Detectives	Sports Tonight
5:00	Meet The Press	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Tools Of Death	
5:30		3:30	[25] Guiding Light (TV-14)	ER (TV-14)	This Week (ABC)
6:00	Headline News	4:00	[15] General Hospital	Ground Zero	
6:30	ESPNNews	4:30		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[05] Disney's Hercules	Double Indemnity (TV-PG)	Science & Technology Week
7:30		5:30	Disney's Pepper Ann (TV-G)		Motor Week
8:00	Dora, The Explorer (TV-Y)	6:00	Popular Mechanics For Kids		George Michael Sports Machine
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	Cousin Skeeter		

### Tuesday

TIME	CH38 AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH38 AFNPACIFIC	CH39 SPECTRUM	CH40 NEWS/SPORTS
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-PG)	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	Nightline
9:30	[55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report
10:00	[23] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NHL Hockey (ESPN2)
10:30		8:30	[33] CNN/ISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Blues at Panthers
11:00	[1:10] General Hospital	9:00	7th Heaven (TV-G)	Star Trek (TV-PG)	
11:30		9:30	Forget Me Not	The Apple	
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Primetime Movie	Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	Murder at 75 Birch (TV-PG)	Marlee Matlin	
13:00	Today	11:00	(TV-PG)	Biography (TV-PG)	Natl Sports Report (FSN)
13:30		11:30		Mackenzie Phillips	
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	The Practice (TV-14)	CNN Early Edition
14:30		12:30	[38] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	The Pursuit of Dignity	
15:00	Hey Arnold (TV-Y)	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	Digimon: Digital Monsters	13:30	[35] Late Show with David Letterman	Dial 'M' For Murder (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Nick News (TV-Y)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	Scholastic Sports America	14:30	[35] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30	Devil In A Blue Dress (TV-14)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNN/ISI & Lates News	16:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	NBA Inside Stuff (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Up-Close with Gary Miller
19:00	7th Heaven (TV-G)	17:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	Star Trek (TV-PG)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
19:30	Forget Me Not	17:30	Love Affair (TV-PG)	The Apple	
20:00	Primetime Movie	18:00		Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)	Colorado State at Utah
20:30	Murder at 75 Birch (TV-PG)	18:30		Marlee Matlin	
21:00		19:00	Headline News	Biography (TV-PG)	SportsCenter
21:30		19:30	ESPNNews	Mackenzie Phillips	
22:00	Headline & Lates News	20:00	Today	The Practice (TV-14)	Your World with Neil Cavuto
22:30	[35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		The Pursuit of Dignity	
23:00	[35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:00		Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live
23:30	[05] ESPNNews	21:30		Dial 'M' For Murder (TV-PG)	
0:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	22:00	Today II		Headline News
0:30	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	22:30	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	NBC Nightly News
1:00		23:00		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	ABC World News Tonight
1:30		23:30		Happy Days (TV-G)	CBS Evening News
2:00	Devil In A Blue Dress	0:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	NBA Basketball (TBS-Live)
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Heat at Knicks
3:00	[05] Movies 'til Dawn	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-14)		
3:30	Love Affair (TV-PG)	1:30			
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Secrets of War (TV-14)	
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	Cold War: Inside the C.I.A.	Inside the NBA (TBS-Live)
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Combat At Sea	Sports Tonight
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30	[25] Guiding Light (TV-14)	Marines	
6:00	CNN/ISI	4:00	[15] General Hospital	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	Larry King Live
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30		Grime Scene	
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[05] Disney's Jungle Cubs	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30		5:30	BrandSpankingNewDoug	Cape Fear (TV-PG)	
8:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	6:00	Outward Bound (TV-Y7)		The O'Reilly Factor
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	City Guys (TV-G)		

Tri-service TOP III meeting set

The Tri-service TOP III meeting will meet Feb. 22, following a luncheon with General Keck in the Lisbon Room at the Top of the Rock Club. Call Master Sgts. Richard Redman or Mark Pechman at 2-2232 or 2-4251 for more information.

Sing at enlisted heritage ball

The Enlisted Heritage Ball committee is looking for active-duty enlisted members to sing with a four-part harmony quartet for the upcoming ball. Volunteers should be able to read music and be available throughout May. Enlisted service members from any branch of service, male or female, are encouraged to apply. For more information call Master Sgt. William Crow at 2-3921.

Bowl for enlisted ball

An Enlisted Heritage Ball bowling tournament is Feb. 23, noon-5 p.m. Entrance fee is \$10. For more information call Tech. Sgt. Cheryl Shaw at 2-3215.

Theater in the park

Join six Lajes High School theater students for a special performance “in the park,” Feb. 23. The show starts at noon in the community center. Students will perform one act of *An Actor’s Nightmare* for the Lajes community. The audience can bring a picnic lunch and relax on blankets provided by the theater class. The event is free, but donations will be accepted to help defray hotel costs when the group goes for district competition in Turkey.

AFCEA luncheon announced

Lajes’ first Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association luncheon is Feb. 23, 11:30 a.m., in the Top of the Rock Club Lisbon Room. A membership drive will also be held that day. Col. Ted Campbell, chief of 8th Air Force communications, will be the guest speaker. For information or to sign up, e-mail Richard.Redman@lajes.af.mil.

Spring retreat for women

The chapel sponsors a Women of Christ Spring Retreat, March 2-3, at Quinta da Nasce Agua Hotel in Angra. Cost is \$55 and includes lodging and meals. Call Pat Johnson at 2-3882 to sign up by Feb. 23.

Spouse tuition assistance

City Colleges of Chicago is accepting spouse tuition assistance applications for Term IV until Feb. 23. For information call 2-3375. The University of Maryland is accepting Term 4 Spouse Tuition

Assistance applications until Feb. 28 for civilian spouses of military members. For more information call 2-4187.

University sets class schedule

The University of Oklahoma Graduate College offers “Human Relations in the Workplace,” Feb. 27-March 4. Another course, “Grief, Death and Dying,” is scheduled for April 3-8. For more information call 2-3171.

Booster club helps animals

The Lajes community has formed a new booster club to raise money for the Angra Animal Shelter, increase awareness of animal rights and improve relations with island veterinarians. Friends of the Animals Booster Club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Round House Restaurant. For more information call 295-549-375.

Self-help open some Saturdays

The self-help store, Bldg. 561, is open on the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information call Master Sgt. Darrell House at 2-3784.

SUM dinner date changed

The Single and Unaccompanied Members Dinner has been rescheduled for Feb. 23, 5:30-7 p.m. It will be held in the Chapel Fellowship Hall, sponsored by the African American Awareness Committee. For information call the chapel at 2-4211.

Valentine’s Day soiree

The Honor Guard Booster Club is sponsoring a Valentine’s Day Soiree Saturday in the Top of the Rock Club Ballroom. Cocktails are at 7 p.m., with dinner starting at 8 p.m. Music is provided by DJ Tony B, and there will be games and prizes. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased from any honor guard member. For more information on the event call Senior Airman Natarsha Roots at 2-2263.

ESC announces Spring Bazaar

The Enlisted Spouses’ Club is looking for artists and craftsmen for their Spring Bazaar. To reserve a table at this event, call Darleena Jones at 295-549-691.

Ash Wednesday chapel events

On Ash Wednesday, Feb. 28, the Catholic chapel will have distribution of ashes at noon and at 5:30 p.m. will be mass and distribution of ashes. The Protestant chapel will have a service at 7 p.m. For more information on these and other services, call the chapel at 2-4211.

Tax Center opens doors Wednesday

The Tax Center opens Wednesday on the first floor of Building 426.

The center, staffed by unit Volunteer Income Tax Assistance representatives, will be open weekdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Service will initially be limited to military members E-1 to E-4. However, center officials expect to expand service to other military members and authorized Team Lajes members in the following weeks.

Some federal and state income tax forms and publications will be available at the Tax Center or at the Internal Revenue Service Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

The 65th Air Base Wing Legal Office is looking for a tax advisor. An applicant applying for this position should be a certified public accountant or someone with an accounting background or tax experience. Call Staff Sgt. Gary Wike, 65th Contracting Squadron, at 2-3123.

Classifieds

To place a classified ad, pick up a form at the public affairs office, Bldg. T-100, Room 121 or call Ext. 23520. To avoid unwanted calls, call PA to cancel your ad when the item sells.

Scuba diving wet suit for sale; 2-piece, 7 mm, Beauchat, Large; brand new; \$250. Call 295-512-790.

Baby items for sale, miscellaneous. Call Tonya at 295-549-737.

Free dog, 11-month-old female dog; great with children; has had obedience training. Call Amanda at 295-549-419.

Paperback books for sale, various authors including John Grisham, Patricia Cornwell, Catherine Coulter and Nora Roberts; some hard cover; call 5:30-8 p.m., 295-516-006.

1985 Suzuki, 4 wheel drive, inspection good through July 2001, \$2,000. Call 295-543-004.

House for rent, 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, fireplace new cabinets and floor, fenced yard, \$350 per month. Call 295-542-374.

Kenwood 105VR receiver/tuner, Dolby surround and Pro Logic, \$100; Bose AM-5 Series II speakers, \$300. Call 295-549-748.

Wanted: women’s white semiformal maternity shirt, size medium or large; need for annual awards banquet. Call Staff Sgt. Kelli Holmes at 2-2411.

Mardi Gras, celebrated Azores style

Eduardo Lima

Public affairs

Carnival, or Mardi Gras as it’s called in New Orleans, will be celebrated throughout Portugal and the Azores Feb. 25-27.

The origin of carnival is vague and seems to be related to pre-Christian customs.

On Terceira, Carnival has a peculiarity of its own: The *Danças de Carnaval*, or *Carnival Dances*. These are dancing groups comprised of 12 to 24 dancers who dress in colorful costumes and carry musical instruments. They travel from town to town during three days and nights and perform nearly nonstop. The performances usually take place in the community centers, theaters and other public areas.

The dances usually criticize the government’s policies or make fun of situations or events that happened throughout the year, since traditionally almost any criticism is acceptable during this period of time. Other groups choose to deal with more serious themes and prefer to depict the lives of kings, saints or even real life dramas that happened in the past.

Mascarados (masquerader) disguise themselves in funny costumes and masks.

Carnival is also celebrated in some European and Central and South American countries. Every year, Angra High School students organize a Carnival parade on Angra’s main streets followed by a comic bullfight in the city’s bullring on the Sun-

day before “Fat Tuesday.” This year’s parade is Feb. 25 at 1:30 p.m. and the bullfight is at 3 p.m. Tickets for the bullfight can be purchased at the door.

Island community centers, pubs and discotheques, as well as the Portuguese NCO and officer’s clubs on base, will organize masquerade balls Feb. 24 and 26.

There are no real safety concerns, but people should be aware of some local customs. It’s traditional to toss eggs, flour and water balloons or use squirt guns to hit passersby. So, it’s also a good idea to roll up your car windows when driving. Don’t be surprised if you get wet. People driving around the island during Carnival will probably find traffic heavier than usual.

For supervisors, fixes to retention problems

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii — What drives enlisted folks out of the Air Force? Why do they stay? What can we do to make the Air Force a more attractive career option? I figure if I had these questions, some others did too. So, I decided to get some answers.

A couple months ago the results of the latest “exit” survey were released. People who are walking out the door complete this survey and their input is pretty candid. The number one reason enlisted folks are leaving? Availability of civilian jobs.

I can buy that. After all, the economy’s been strong for a decade. There are tons of jobs out there. The unemployment rate is the lowest it’s been in years. There’s even talk about raising the minimum wage.

But what about all the “great” jobs people talk about when they’re leaving the Air Force. I took a look at Fortune Magazine’s “Top 100 companies to work for” to find out what the draw is.

First, I looked at a company called Qualcomm. I’m not a techie, but I think they’re one of those high-tech firms that has run a great business the last couple years. Their growth rate for 1999? Of 90,000 applicants, they had minus 451 positions open up. Not a typo. Negative growth. Starting pay for a senior material coordinator? \$28,000 a year.

Maybe that was a fluke. Next I looked at USAA. They had 44,700 applicants that resulted in minus 163 jobs. Math isn’t my strong point, but I think the odds of get-

ting rich might be better in Vegas. The pay is pretty good -- a customer account professional starts at just \$8,000 less per year than a senior airman with four years service.

Southwest Airlines is one of the top five companies to work for -- 144,500 applicants, 1,314 new jobs. Most common entry-level jobs pay \$17,000 per year. But if you land a job with them as a programmer or analyst, expect to make the same amount a staff sergeant with eight years’ service.

Maybe the availability of jobs really isn’t the answer. Next on the list of reasons enlisted members leave is pay and allowances. Fair enough. Back to the list of the best companies to work for.

We’ve talked about pay. American Express prides itself in that 90 percent of their employees give the company high marks for treating women and minorities fairly. Maybe we should lower our standard to 90 percent.

What about the high-tech world? SAS Institute, a major software developer, has a state-of-the-art fitness center, a clinic and subsidized child-care. I guess they took a tour of an Air Force base when they were laying out their facilities.

Another example: FedEx offers 48 hours of professional training a year. Last

time I checked, the Air Force probably offered at least that much.

I’m still not satisfied with the answers. I looked at the next three reasons that force

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people out the door. I have a new set of glasses so I had to look again — no mistake.

The reasons are recognition of one’s efforts, lead-

ership at the unit level and job satisfaction. Things that don’t cost a penny but cost us years of experience when people walk out the door.

Unbelievable but true. Those three reasons cause discontent with our employees. I looked at some startling data from several human resources firms in the civilian sector and found out we’re not alone.

Lack of recognition and poor job satisfaction are the leading causes for employees to “job hop” on the other side of the fence.

If your folks are thinking about leaving the Air Force, I hope you’ll point out that the grass isn’t always greener on the other side ... in a lot of cases, it’s still just grass.

More importantly, by taking steps to correct those things we control — like recognition of one’s efforts, leadership at the unit level and job satisfaction — you won’t have to explain the color of grass. (Written by Chief Master Sgt. Joe Lavigne, 15th Air Base Wing Career Assistance Advisor).



# DOD says troops safe from 'mad cow' disease

WASHINGTON — By following prudent guidelines, U.S. service members and their families living or traveling in Europe should not be afraid of catching the human derivative of the so-called "mad cow" disease, DOD veterinary officials said.

A traveler's advisory issued by the Centers for Disease Control for U.S. citizens in Europe notes that "the relative risk of becoming infected with Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy is small, if it exists at all," said Army Col. Scott Severin, deputy director of DOD's Veterinary Service.

To avoid possible contact with BSE, DOD hasn't bought beef from the United Kingdom for commissaries, dining halls, base exchange outlets and authorized vendors since March 1996, he said.

"The beef our service members are eating in the dining facilities comes from the United States," Severin said. "The meats being sold through Army and Air Force Exchange Service concessions and shoppettes or commissaries are all from the States or from countries outside Europe where there's no evidence of BSE."

He said DOD took steps in March 2000 to ban the procurement for sale of European-origin beef, veal, mutton and lamb and meat products containing them, for consumption by U.S. service members in Europe.

Severin said the CDC's guidance to Americans who eat on the European economy and are concerned about exposure to BSE is to stay away from beef products. People who want to eat beef off base should go with solid muscle meats like steak or roasts instead of something ground, like hamburgers or sausages," he

said. "There's no risk associated with milk or dairy products."

BSE is one of a group of chronic, degenerative diseases that attack the victim's central nervous system, Severin said.

The disease also occurs in other animals including sheep, goats, elk, mule deer and cats.

The disease was first identified in the UK in 1986. British and Irish officials ordered thousands of cattle destroyed to prevent spreading the disease, he said. It spreads when victims ingest or are injected with infected matter or tissues.

Severin said experts blame contaminated animal feed for the British outbreak.

"The British government put feed bans into place that appear to have been effective in reducing the epidemic in the United Kingdom," he said.

That epidemic peaked in 1993, and the incidence rate has steadily declined, although cases still occur, he noted.

Severin said concerns about BSE resurged in 1996 when the first cases of a new variant of the disease appeared in the United Kingdom.

The European Union banned the export of British beef in 1996 to prevent the spread of BSE to the continent, he said. However, this failed to stop the spread to Europe. The most recent countries to have confirmed cases are Spain, Germany and Italy," Severin said.

The CDC estimated the chances of contracting the disease from European beef at "less than one in 10 billion servings." (Courtesy of American Forces Press Service.)

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DOD Veterinary Service Activity



## Group quarterly winners

65th Support Group quarterly award winners are: company grade officer -- 2nd Lt. **Dave Case**, 65th SG; Senior NCO -- Master Sgt. **Leslie Kent**, 65th Security Forces Squadron; NCO -- Tech. Sgt. **Robin Blevins**, 65th SFS; Airman -- Staff Sgt. **Dorrian Dillion**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; first sergeant -- Master Sgt. **John Bock**, 65th CES; category I and II U.S. civilians -- **Ronnelle Erhardt**, 65th Services Squadron, and **David Shinn**, 65th CES; and category I and II Portuguese civilians -- **Paulo Feliciano**, 65th SVS, and **Avelino Ormonde**, 65th CS.

## TRANS annual awards

65th Transportation Squadron annual award winners are: company grade officer -- Capt. **Kevin Nalette**; senior NCO -- Senior Master Sgt. **Ed Scott**; NCO -- Tech. Sgt. **Gary Vercher**; airman -- Senior Airman **Jose Martinez**; and category I and II Portuguese civilians -- **Diana Valadao** and **Mateus Lima**.

## SUPS annual awards

65th Supply Squadron annual award winners are: Senior NCO -- Master Sgt. **Dean Abbott**; NCO -- Tech. Sgt. **Byron Rose**; airman -- Senior Airman **Scott Yonkers**; and category I and II Portuguese civilians -- **Francisco Barbosa** and **Jaime Rufino Da Silva**.

## CONS annual awards

65th Contracting Squadron annual award winners are: NCO -- Staff Sgt. **Ralph Chavez**; and category II Portuguese civilian -- **Filomena Meneses**.

## OSS annual awards

65th Operational Support Squadron annual award winners are: company grade officer -- 1st Lt. **Peter Soto**; Senior NCO -- Master Sgt. **William Crow**; NCO -- Staff Sgt. **Jeremy Entwistle**; airman -- Senior Airman **Robert Davis**; category I U.S. civilian -- **Lisa Gill**; and category II Portuguese civilian -- **Joao Santos**.

# Exams, protective eye wear prevent vision loss

CHARLESTON AFB, S.C. (AFPN) — About 80 percent of the information people receive about the world around them comes from their vision, according to Capt. Tina Luichinger, 437th Medical Group. However, she said many people may take this "precious" sense for granted.

The American Optometry Association recommends eye examinations once every two or three years for people 19 to 40 years old, and once every year for 41- to 60-year-olds. Children should be examined prior to entering school.

A complete eye examination includes a vision analysis, accommodative evaluation (focusing ability of your eyes), binocular vision evaluation (how well your eyes work together) and an internal and external ocular health evaluation, she said.

"Examinations can uncover problems not generally thought of as eye-related," she said.

For example, diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol are all often detected by an optometrist.

Spectacles or vision training may stop headaches and computer-related eye strain. If a child has difficulty with schoolwork, spectacles or vision training may also make a difference.

Prevention is key when it comes to eye injuries. More than 70 percent of eye injuries occur at work, according to professors at Pennsylvania College of Optometry. Causes include hammering, drilling, wire cutting or chemical burns. Safety goggles can prevent injuries to eyes, Captain Luichinger said.

Sports cause nearly 70,000 eye injuries each year, but using protective eye wear can prevent 99 percent of these injuries, according to the professors.

"Basketball, baseball, hockey and racket sports are the most likely to cause eye-related injuries," she said. "Any optician can sell sport goggles, and for people who wear glasses, the prescription can be put in the sport goggle lenses."



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Capt. Robert Kesead, chief of Lajes' optometry services, conducts a routine eye exam on a young patient.

Contact lenses might not be as safe as people think, according to the captain.

"Contact lenses top the list of consumer products that cause eye-related injuries," she said. "If contact lenses are worn, people increase their chance of infection, abrasion and corneal ulceration. This is especially true if people have extended-wear lenses and sleep in them, and if people fail to care for the contact lenses properly."

She said people should schedule routine eye examinations and observe all safety precautions. "This can go a long way in protecting this precious sense."

For an appointment, call central appointments at 2-3261.

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coming wave.

The captain compared the force of the wave to a collision with a moving vehicle.

"I would say it's probably equivalent to an automobile hitting a solid object at 25 or 30 mph," he said. Three other con-

tainers were damaged during the trip.

According to Army Sgt. 1st Class George Vazquez, NCO in charge of the Military Traffic Management Center, cargo damage was minimal.

"The container with the worst damage was opened but its contents were unharmed," the sergeant said.

"At this point we expect the damage to cargo, if any, will be minimal."

No personal property was affected during the trip.

Scott Kel-

ler, assistant engineer aboard the Strong Patriot, described the conditions endured by the ship's crew over rough, open waters.

"It's like having someone rock your house so every flat surface in it is moving while you're trying to walk," he described. "You try to anticipate the movement so that you can get your equilibrium set, but sometimes it's not that easy to do."

"Even when the weather subsides, you can still get freak waves," he added. "You've just got to be real careful, so you don't get caught off guard."

Dan Duran, the ship's 3rd mate, said experience helps the crew adjust.

"Sailors have good balance," he said. "You have to avoid injuries."

"I'm not use to it," Mr. Keller said of the rough conditions. "I don't think I'll ever get use to it, because when it gets real rough out there, even some of the best get sick."



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The U.S. Strong Patriot off-loads its cargo at Praia's commercial shipping port Feb. 8 following a journey through rough Atlantic waters that damaged several cargo containers.